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REQUEST TO CORRECT INVENTORSHIP

In accordance with 37 CFR §1.48(a)(1), the undersigned hereby request the correction of the inventorship for the above-referenced application as follows:

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In accordance with 37 CFR §1.48(a)(2), by signing below each person being added as an inventor and each person being deleted as an inventor hereby state that the error in inventorship occurred without deceptive intention on his or her part.

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Date

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In accordance with 37 CFR §1.48(a)(3), an oath or declaration by the actual inventor or inventors as required by § 1.63 is included herewith.

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In accordance with 37 CFR §1.48(a)(4), payment for the processing fee set forth in 37 CFR §1.17(i) is included herewith.

In accordance with 37 CFR §1.48(a)(5), by signing below the assignee of record consents to the above-noted change in inventorship. Ethicon Endo-Surgery, Inc. is the assignee of record

of the entire right, title and interest in the above-referenced patent application by virtue of an assignment of the above-referenced patent application. The assignment was recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office at Reel 015579, Frame 0337. I am authorized to act on behalf of the assignee. On behalf of the assignee, I hereby consent to the change in inventorship as noted above.

By:

Name:

Victor Moreno

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Assistant Secretary

Date:

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Based on the foregoing, it is believed that the conditions set forth in 37 CFR 1.48(a) have been satisfied. The undersigned therefore respectfully requests that the inventorship for the above-referenced application be corrected accordingly.

Respectfully submitted,

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